through a relay that is operated by the general emergency alarm system.

(b) A red-flashing light or rotating beacon must be installed so that it is visible in the cargo pump rooms of vessels that carry combustible liquid cargoes. The installation must be in accordance with the requirements of part 111, subpart 111.105, of this chapter.

[CGD 74–125A, 47 FR 15272, Apr. 8, 1982, as amended by CGD 94–108, 61 FR 28288, June 4, 1996; 62 FR 23910, May 1, 1997]

§113.25-11 Contact makers.

Each contact maker must-

- (a) Have normally open contacts and be constructed in accordance with Type 4 or 4X of NEMA 250 or IP 56 of IEC 60529 (both incorporated by reference; see 46 CFR 110.10-1) requirements:
- (b) Have a switch handle that can be maintained in the "on" position;
- (c) Have the "off" and "on" positions of the operating handle permanently marked; and
- (d) Have an inductive load rating not less than the connected load or, on large vessels, have auxiliary devices to interrupt the load current.

[CGD 94-108, 61 FR 28288, June 4, 1996, as amended at 62 FR 23910, May 1, 1997; USCG-2003-16630, 73 FR 65201, Oct. 31, 2008]

§113.25-12 Alarm signals.

- (a) Each general emergency alarm signal must be an electrically-operated bell, klaxon, or other warning device capable of producing a signal or tone distinct from any other audible signal on the vessel.
- (b) Electronic devices used to produce the general emergency alarm signal must meet the requirements of subpart 113.50 of this part.
- (c)(1) The minimum sound-pressure levels for the emergency-alarm tone in interior and exterior spaces must be a sound level of not less than 80 dB(A) measured at 10 feet on the axis; and
- (2) At least 10 dB(A) measured at 10 feet on the axis, above the background noise level when the vessel is underway in moderate weather unless flashing red lights are used in accordance with 46 CFR 113.25–10(b).
- (d) Alarm signals intended for use in sleeping compartments may have a minimum sound level of 75 dB(A) meas-

ured 3 feet (1 meter) on axis, and at least 10 dB(A) measured 3 feet (1 meter) on axis, above ambient noise levels with the ship under way in moderate weather.

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§ 113.25-14 Electric cable and distribution fittings.

Each cable entrance to an emergency alarm signal or distribution fitting must be made watertight by a terminal or stuffing tube.

§ 113.25-15 Distribution panels.

Each distribution panel must:

- (a) Be watertight;
- (b) Need a tool to be opened.

§113.25-16 Overcurrent protection.

- (a) Each fuse in a general emergency alarm system must meet the requirements of part 111, subpart 111.53, of this chapter.
- (b) Each overcurrent protection device must cause as wide a differential as possible between the rating of the branch circuit overcurrent protection device and that of the feeder overcurrent protection device.
- (c) The capacity of the feeder overcurrent device must be as near practicable to 200 percent of the load supplied. The capacity of a branch circuit overcurrent device must not be higher than 50 percent of the capacity of the feeder overcurrent device.

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§113.25-20 Marking of equipment.

- (a) Each general emergency alarm system fused switch and distribution panel must have a fixed nameplate on the outside of its cover that has a description of its function. The rating of tuses must also be shown on the outside of the cover of a fused switch.
- (b) Each general alarm contact maker must be marked "GENERAL ALARM" in red letters on a corrosionresistant plate or on a sign.
- (c) A contact maker that operates only the general emergency alarm signal in crew quarters, machinery spaces, and work spaces must be marked